Identifying Narrative Perspective

**Directions:** Read the following passages, **UNDERLINE, CIRCLE, OR HIGHLIGHT WHEN THE NARRATOR TELLS US A CHARACTER'S THOUGHTS OR FEELINGS** and determine the narrative perspective, then explain how you were able to identify the point of view. If you need help, you may ask your teacher or a classmate.

**Narrative Perspective (point of view):** first-person, second-person, third-person objective, third-person limited, third-person omniscient.

1. She went to her best friend’s house to study. When she got there, she started to wonder how big her best friend’s dog Jasper had gotten. They went outside and rode their bikes for 20 minutes, went back to the house to study, ate dinner, and then she went back home.

   **Narrative Perspective:** _______________________________________________________________

2. “Do you love candy?” I asked my friend Roxis. I always make friends with other people.

   **Narrative Perspective:** _______________________________________________________________

3. One day Tina went to the movies. She went to see *Epic Movie*. Tina thought she should purchase a plate of nachos, a pop, and a box of candy, but her friend thought she shouldn’t. Tina purchased the food anyway.

   **Narrative Perspective:** _______________________________________________________________

4. First, you will need to wash your hands and gather all of your materials. Once you’ve done that, follow all of the directions in your cookbook. Put your crispy teats in your oven and cook for 30-35. While your treats cook you might want to clean your working place. When you take the treats out of the oven, pour the honey and lemon sauce on immediately. Once the treats are cooled, you and your friends can enjoy.

   **Narrative Perspective:** _______________________________________________________________

5. Timmy Turner was rushing to get to school because he was going on a field trip. Timmy felt so happy and excited that he was going on his first field trip of the year. Timmy thought that everything was going to go good that day.

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7. Some dark night Shelly said, “I hate squirrels,” but really she loved them. Carol said, “They smell,” but really, she loved them too. Both of them thought that squirrels were pretty cute.

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8. When I went to the store, I witnessed a girl crying on the street and I took a closer look and saw it was my friend. I walked to where she was and asked her what was wrong. She said, “Family problems.” Being a good friend, I told her to call me later if she wanted to talk about it.

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9. Emma never seemed to reach her goal. She knew that her cookies were good but she could never raise the 500 dollars to enter the contest. None of the other contestants even looked her way.

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10. Emma thought and she thought: How can I make people notice me? Then, Emma’s two twin nieces ran in the kitchen and asked Emma to make a batch of cookies for their class. She did, and the next day at the bake sale, lots of children and parents were buying her cookies. Lots of people were thinking about her cookies and how good they were. All the other years Emma would go home with over 200 cookies left, but that year she went home with none, all thanks to her nieces.

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11. Maggie Wetherfield was walking to Jessica’s house for a sleepover when she noticed Allen following her. She started to walk a little faster. When she heard him calling her name, she stopped. He came running to her and asked if she had tonight’s homework. She replied, “We have to do math pages seven through nine, numbers one through twenty-four.”

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12. To Make French Toast: First you will take out a skillet to cook and turn the stove on low. Second, you will melt the butter in the pan and stir it with a spatula. Third, you will beat the eggs. Fourth, lay the bread, white or wheat, on both sides in the eggs. Fifth, sit the bread on top of butter for 30 seconds and then turn over. Now you have a slice of French toast, repeat.

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13. She went to her best friend’s house to study. When she got there, she started to wonder how big her best friend’s dog Jasper had gotten. They went outside and rode their bikes for twenty minutes. When they went back to study, her best friend, Sam, wondered when her legs would stop hurting. They ate dinner after studying and then she went home.

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14. Jessie had felt sad all day. Jessie thought and thought about his situation and he thought to himself, I need to get myself together. Next thing you know, Maria came in the door and asked what was wrong. He told her. Maria frowned. She felt as if she were being abandoned by everyone.

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15. How to Properly Clean Your Disc: First, you by a CD buffer from your neighborhood Gamestop store. If you want to clean your CD for free instead, get a Q-tip or soft cloth. Use alcohol or window cleaner and wipe up and down applying light pressure as needed.

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